Richard Barnes, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a petition from Henry Griffith and Charles Greenbury Griffith, on behalf of Sarah, Rachel, Lucretia, and Elizabeth Davis, infants, praying an act may pass, to enable them to sell and dispose of certain lands in Anne-Arundel county, to which the said infants have a right of reversion, and that the monies arising on such sale be applied to their use, endorsed; "By the senate, December 1, 1780: "Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

" By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk."

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Which was read.

The house, according to order, took into consideration the report of the committee appointed to examine the returns of the commissioners of the tax, and, on motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to prevent frauds and abuses in the collection of the public taxes, and to extend the time for the payment of the tobacco tax. Ordered, That Mr. Hall, Mr. Hanson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Dashiell, Mr. Potts, and Mr. Wright, do prepare and bring in the said bill.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to enforce the payment of taxes in Somerset and other counties, and to extend the time for collection where necessary. Ordered, That Mr. Potts, Mr. Wright, Mr. Winder, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Morris, and Mr. Dashiell, do prepare

and bring in the faid bill.

Mr. Worthington appeared in the house.

Upton Sheredine, Etq; from the fenate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the resolution in favour of the reverend John Scott, endorsed; "By the senate, December 1, 1780: Read and assented to.
"By order, J. MACCUBBIN clk."

And the following refolve:

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 1, 1780.

Thomas Johnson, John Hanson, Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, and Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, Esquires, being chosen delegates in congress for this state by the joint ballot of both houses, Resolved, That the said Thomas Johnson, John Hanson, Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, and Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, Esquires, or any one or more of them, have full power and authority to represent this state in congress.

By order,

Which was read, and assented to with the following amendments:

Strike out the word "one" and insert the word "two." At the end of the resolve insert,

"for one year from the seventeenth day of November last."

So endorsed, and sent to the senate by Mr. Maccubbin and Mr. Taylor.

Mr. Potts, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

Greene for fixty dragoon horses, and thereupon come to the following resolution:

That it is the opinion of the committee, that this state surnish the sixty dragoon horses for major Lee's legion with the utmost dispatch, and that captain Allen McLain, or such other officer as major Lee shall appoint to purchase the said horses, be authorised to contract in specie for the purchase of good, strong, and able horses, fit for the service of the said legion, on behalf of this state, not exceeding the sum of sixty-sive pounds specie for each horse, and that he engage payment of the purchase money in specie, or the value in the new bills of credit at the time of payment, with the interest of six per cent. in two months from the purchase; and that he give his certificate to the person from whom he shall purchase, expressing the time and sum agreed to be paid; and that he price or value thereof be paid by the treasurer, with interest, on the order of the governor and council, and charged to the United States.

By order,

]. KNAPP, clk.

Which was read the first and second time and concurred with.

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A letter from Samuel T. Wright, of the 20th of November, informing the general affembly of his acceptance of the appointment as a counfellor, and containing a resignation of his commission as register of wills for Queen-Anne's county, was laid before the house and read.

On a second reading of the report from the committee appointed to consider and report a probable and speedy mode to procure a quantity of salt, &c. the question was put, That the house concur with the first resolution therein? The year and nays being called for by Mr. Hall appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.

W. Stevenson, Ward, Dennis, Alexander, Deye, Clagett, Hall,
Maccubbin, Bayly, Kirk, Earle, Dashiell, 1. Stevenson, Craufurd, Hungerford. Hammond, Chase, Taylor, ≥ Dent, Winder, Duckett,

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